

JEST TURNS INTO GRIM EARNEST

As Joke, Policeman Threatens to Arrest Larsen on a Murder Charge.

NOW HE IS IN THE CELLS

Man He Had Struck Dies From a Fractured Skull Few Hours Afterwards.

(From Thursday's Advertiser.)

Twelve hours after a police officer and a friend had played a practical joke on him by telling him that he had killed a man and was to be arrested for murder, William Larsen Jr. was yesterday placed under arrest and is now held for investigation until the cause of the death of a Hawaiian named Kaihue is ascertained by the coroner. The Hawaiian who figured in the joke as the victim is the man whose body now lies in the city morgue, with the case of the skull fractured. Death came yesterday morning, after a fight had taken place about midnight on Tuesday.

The joke turned into grim earnest and Larsen faces a probably serious charge.

The man who died from injuries received in the course of a short fight with Larsen was taken to the Queen's Hospital immediately after he had been hurt. Although his skull was fractured so badly that he died a few hours after, he was allowed to leave the hospital with only the superficial wounds dressed.

This is the third time within a few months that men with fractured skulls have been allowed to leave the hospital to die without the extent of their injuries being learned and with nothing done to prevent them from dying. Larsen's friends state that he became involved in the affair through efforts to protect a drunken man of small size from the assault of a much larger man. They claim that he wished to act only as a peacemaker and that the blow given by him, as a direct result of which Kaihue is dead, was given without the slightest malice behind it.

Witness' Statement.

Eugene Duvauchelle, who was with Larsen at the time of the affray, says concerning it:

"We [meaning Larsen and himself] had dinner at W. Mahuka's place and after dinner strolled around town. About eleven o'clock we went to Frank Harvey's saloon where Charley Kumukahi tends bar. He cleaned out the drinks and closed the bar early. Then we went to a chop suey house and had supper.

"We then went to the King street bridge and that is where the row started. When we got there, three fellows rushed out of the building on the Ewa side, coming downstairs. One big fellow, Kaihue, was kicking a small fellow, Kamalu. There was a negro there who caught Kaihue and pulled him away. When he did this I heard Kamalu say: 'You invite me to your house. Is this the way to treat me?' He spoke in Hawaiian.

"While the negro was holding him, Kaihue broke loose and went at Kamalu again. Larsen jumped in as a peacemaker. I suppose he thought Kamalu was an old man for he said, 'Fight a man your own age.'

"Kaihue cursed him and struck at him. Larsen also struck and Kaihue toppled over, his head striking a stone. When he fell, Larsen picked him up and put him on the sidewalk. By this time Policemen Nawahi and Dan Kaahu came up and the others there were Larsen, Kumukahi, the negro, myself and Kamalu, the latter dead drunk. No one else was around.

"Then the women came down and began wailing, about half a dozen, and then a crowd gathered. The patrol wagon came and Kaihue was well enough to walk to the wagon himself. He was taken to the hospital.

"He was brought back shortly after twelve. Before he came back, however, the women were making so much noise wailing that the Chinese neighbors sent for the police to make them keep quiet.

"When Kaihue got back from the hospital he was still full of fight and wanted to know where the haole was who struck him. He did not appear in the least hurt although his head was in bandages."

A Good Joke.

Larsen, by this time, had walked away as far as the depot, the fight having taken place in front of the River Rhine saloon, and the idea of playing a joke on him occurred to Duvauchelle and a negro, named Miller. They took Machado, a mounted police officer, into the joke, the two going to Larsen and telling him that Kaihue was dead and that the police were looking for him.

The victim of the joke was very much affected at the alarming news and practically broke down at the idea of being arrested on a charge of murder. He became so excited at the thought of facing so grave a charge that he threatened to kill himself rather than be taken alive by the police.

Then Machado rode up and demanded to know where Larsen was. This added to Larsen's misery and he fell face down on the grass and began to plead for liberty.

By that time the trio thought the joke had gone far enough and they told him that the supposed dead man was back at his home and looking for another fight.

Death Followed Blow.

In the mean while, Kaihue went to

FREAR'S HURRY STARTS RUMORS

He Is Bringing Governorship for Mott-Smith and Secretary's Job for Buckland.

GOVERNOR HAS 'EM GUESSING

A. G. M. Robertson Still in the Running for the Woodruff Vacancy.

The fact that Governor Frear is not content to sit around and twiddle his thumbs for five days in San Francisco, on the chance of getting a passage Hawaiiwards on the Alameda, when his presence in Hawaii is required for several very important reasons, has led to the circulation of the revamped story that he is to become federal judge, stepping into Woodruff's vacated shoes. This story was going the rounds yesterday, but in no quarter could anything be found to give it weight or to lead to the impression that there might be something in it.

Coupled with the coming of the Governor on the Tenyo Maru—two hundred dollars fine attached—great significance becomes attached, in the rumor factory, to the fact that C. R. Buckland, editor of the Hawaii Herald, originator of the "Watch Hilo Grow" program and once chief clerk of the territory, is in Honolulu without visible excuse.

This has led to the following state being whispered around as the straight tip: Frear, federal judge; Mott-Smith, governor; Buckland, secretary; Robertson, boneyard.

Acting-Governor Mott-Smith calls it another fish story; Buckland only smiles, and the Governor failed to answer the wireless sent him regarding it.

White Ribbon Project.

Another report, that sounds more probable, is that Buckland is here to organize the temperance end of the Republican party.

It is stated that he came at the solicitation of J. P. Cooke and that he has been assured that whatever money is needed to swing the G. O. P. up on the waterwagon will be forthcoming. Buckland has been dropping into various offices and taking in the moving pictures, but as yet had made no pronouncement of his views on the situation.

There is enough credence placed in the report to make the anti-drys anxious and a back fire has already been started.

The Judgeships.

While nothing official has been given out, it is well understood that Governor Frear has favored the candidacy of A. G. M. Robertson for Woodruff's place and that he has recommended Robbins Anderson for the vacancy on the supreme court bench.

The first endorsement will be approved, but there will be vigorous exception taken to the second. Anderson, in the opinion of the majority of lawyers, has never shown himself fitted for an important judicial position and has neither the years nor the experience to fill the post.

SHIP SUBSIDY BILL SAFE, SAYS DWIGHT

Republican Leader Is Sure That the President's Wishes Will Prevail.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, December 29.—Congressman J. W. Dwight, of New York, the Republican whip of the house, has had a conference with President Taft on the matter of the ship subsidy proposition, afterward asserting that the recommendations of the President will be made law at this session of congress. The Humphrey subsidy bill has been agreed upon for passage and the Democratic opposition will not prevent the passage of matters recommended by the President in his special message to congress.

bed, lapsing into unconsciousness shortly after reaching his home. His wife had been drinking heavily and did not realize his condition.

Thus, without any one to care for him, he died. Yesterday morning his death was reported to the coroner who had the body taken to the morgue, where an autopsy was held yesterday and a coroner's jury impaneled. The autopsy showed that death had followed a fracture of the base of the skull, where his head had hit the paving stones in his fall beneath Larsen's blow.

An investigation of the scene of the fight, made by the police almost immediately afterwards, showed that Kaihue's head had struck a sharp stone, close to the street car track, the stone being bloodstained.

An attempt was made last night by his attorney, Clem Quinn, to secure bail for Larsen, but as no charge has as yet been placed against him and will not be until after the inquest today, bail was refused.

Duvauchelle, who was once connected with the police here, is now a rancher on Maui and is in town to see about a matter that he has in the land court. He expected to leave for Maui Tuesday and had offered Larsen a job on his ranch. Larsen was on Tuesday waiting at the wharf with his grip, having already bought his ticket and accepted the offer. The land court decision, however, being postponed, Duvauchelle called him back and they intended to wait until today.

It is reported that Larsen is not at all times responsible for his actions.

MARRIED, BUT DIDN'T KNOW IT

Little Girl Goes Through Ceremony With Man Who Has Another Wife.

Married and didn't know it—and, to make it worse, married to a man who had another wife—is the gist of the strange and pathetic story told by a little fifteen-year-old Chinese girl in the office of United States District Attorney Breckons yesterday.

The girl, who is small and looks young even for her slender years, was married, haole fashion, on Christmas eve, and promptly started in to celebrate both her marriage and Christmas at the same time by decking out a Christmas tree. The Lone Observer, it may be remarked in passing, found the young bride and her husband engaged in this pleasant occupation, and told the husband that his soul had been carefully dusted. Which was where the Lone Observer guessed wrong. The dust on that man's soul could have been used to make a vegetable garden.

The man is Lam Yip, aetat about thirty-five. He has already raised one family and hoped to start another. He won't—not for a while yet, anyway. It is more probable that he will crack rocks for a time.

The marriage license was issued with the proviso written upon it that the marriage should not be consummated except by and with the consent of the parents. Nevertheless, a Hawaiian minister of the gospel married the two Chinese, the man of thirty-five and the girl of fifteen-and-small-for-her-slender-years.

And then, in about a day, the bridegroom was arrested on a federal warrant and his belongings were searched, as per usual. Among them were found a number of letters from his sons in China, protesting against his announced intention of taking another wife. One son wrote that he and his brother were getting to be pretty nearly men and their mother was getting old. If the husband and father married again, he would probably start a new family, and this would add to the financial burdens of his first family. The son didn't think this would be doing the right thing by his mother.

But his arguments and entreaties seem to have fallen upon the stony ground of the heart of a man who was lonely and wanted somebody to love him and cook for him. And Lam Yip married again—according to the fashion of the haoles, and he and his bride decorated a Christmas tree and celebrated the haole festival and their own nuptials at the same time.

And now the girl says she didn't know she was being married. "I stood up with Lam Yip before a man," she says, "and the man said something to me and I was told to say yes and I did. And now they tell me I am married."

And that's all the little fifteen-year-old-and-small-for-her-slender-years girl says she knows about it all.

But Lam Yip is in the hands of the officers of the law which he has defied, and the girl, who is but fifteen and small for her age, is a wife without a husband, a widow with no lost one to mourn.

MERCHANTS ARE GETTING WEARY

Henceforth They Will Put Up the Bars Against the Clamor for Assistance.

Henceforth subscriptions will not be as readily secured from the merchants of this city as has heretofore been the case. The merchants' association yesterday took the matter up and it is likely that some steps will be taken to systematize the making of donations by business men.

While the merchants have not placed themselves on record as opposing charity, or even as unwilling to contribute, within the bounds of reason, toward worthy objects, they feel that they have been called upon to do more than their share, and they believe that some steps should be taken to put a check upon indiscriminate compliance with solicitations for aid.

The matter was discussed at length at yesterday's meeting of the directors of the association, and it was decided to call upon the finance committee to draw up a set of resolutions condemning the too general solicitation of alms.

At yesterday's meeting it was suggested that the members of the association decline to consider any application for financial aid not approved by the secretary of the association. This plan was rejected, however, as placing too great a burden upon the shoulders of the secretary. It is probable that some such regulation will be adopted, however.

The matter of trading stamps came up and some doubts regarding the legality of the system were expressed. As the attorney for the association now has the matter under consideration it was decided to do nothing as yet, pending the receipt of an opinion.

The question of advocating the suspension of the coastwise shipping law was touched upon, but the directors decided that the sentiments of the association are well known in the matter and that further resolutions were not needed.

NO OPIUM IN CHAMBERLAIN'S COUGH REMEDY.

There is not a particle of opium or other narcotic in Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, and never has been since it was first offered to the public. It is as safe a medicine for a child as for an adult. For sale by Benson, Smith & Co., Ltd., agents for Hawaiian Islands.

HAWAII GETS MANY AWARDS

List Shows Territory Well to the Front Both in Number and Grade of Prizes.

Hawaii made a good showing when the awards were passed out at the Alaska-Yukon Exposition and though some exhibitors were not entirely satisfied with the manner in which their exhibits were judged, on the whole there has been pretty general satisfaction.

But one "highest award" was given an exhibit in the Hawaiian building, and that was for koa furniture. There were many grand prizes, however, and a large assortment of gold medals allowed.

The Hawaiian Fibre Company is one of the concerns which protested at an award and the protest was so determined that the bronze medal to grand prize. Other protests have been made and some of them allowed.

Mrs. Caroline Haskins Gurrey was awarded a gold medal for her set of photographic studies portraying Hawaiian types. These pictures made a great impression.

To R. K. Bonine was awarded a silver medal for his collection of transparencies, lantern slides, prints and moving pictures. Though this is distinguished recognition considering the large number of professional photographers who exhibited, it is considered by those connected with the Hawaii exhibit that the Bonine collection should have received a gold medal at the very least.

Several of the honorable mentions have not satisfied the recipients and action on their protests will result, in some instances, in raising the class of the awards.

The following is a complete list of the awards, though action on protests have made a few changes. Loyd Childs has not classified the changes as yet, but such as there are will only result in raising the class of some of the awards and will not in any way change the list of prize-winners. The list follows:

Highest Award—
Lucas Planing Mill, for koa furniture.

Grand Prize—
Hawaii Commission, for pineapples.
Hawaiian Fibre Co., for sisal fibre.
Hawaiian Pipecan Growers' Association, for fresh and canned pineapples.

Territory of Hawaii, for collective exhibit of forestry.
Territory of Hawaii, for general installation and display of the Hawaiian building.

Territory of Hawaii, for installation of biograph room, moving pictures, stereoscopic views and lectures.
Territory of Hawaii, for collective exhibit of wall maps; group map of the Islands; crossroads map of the Islands.

Territory of Hawaii, for fish—on beauty of exhibit.
Gold Medal—
J. Armstrong, for taro flour.
D. D. Baldwin, for exhibit of conchology.

Mrs. C. H. Gurrey, for collection of photographic art studies of Hawaiian types.
Mrs. Caroline H. Gurrey, for ethnological exhibit.
Hawaii Commission, for taro.
Hawaii Commission, for bananas.
Hawaiian Development Co., for koa lumber and ohia railroad ties.
Hawaiian Fibre Co., for sisal fibre.
D. Howard Hitchcock, for water color and oil paintings.
J. Hopp & Co., for koa furniture.
Alfred James, for koa furniture.
Mrs. Annie Kearns, for jelly, jam, etc.

Thomas Kelly, for jelly, jam, syrup, marmalade, etc.
J. Oswald Luittd, for tabasco sauce, pepper sauce.
James McCandless, for ethnological exhibit.
Willis T. Pope, for relief map of Hawaii.

Territory of Hawaii, for Kona coffee.
Territory of Hawaii, for collective school exhibit.
Territory of Hawaii, for forestry and botanical exhibit.
Territory of Hawaii, for display of general educational features.
Territory of Hawaii, for installation of tank of Hawaiian Islands.
Territory of Hawaii, for installation of sugar palace.
U. S. Government Experiment Station, for rice and cotton.
U. S. Government Experiment Station, for tropical vegetables and peanuts.
Silver Medal—
R. K. Bonine, for photographic slides, transparencies, moving pictures.
Boys Industrial School, Honolulu, for kukui portiere.
Mr. Edwards, for vanilla extracts.
Hawaiian Bee Keepers Association, for honey.
Hawaii Commission, for avocados and mangoes.
C. Koelling Starch Factory, for manioc starch.
Roscoe Perkins, for photographs, photographic enlargements.
Dr. Jared Smith, for tobacco in leaf.
Bronze Medal—
Kona Kanning Company, for jelly, jam and vanilla extract.
Miss Annie Parke, for water colors.
Territory of Hawaii, for installation of sisal and sisal products.
Territory of Hawaii, for panorama of rice field, the growing rice and rice grain.

Honorable Mention—
Territory of Hawaii, for installation of shell exhibit.
Territory of Hawaii, for display of koa furniture in model safe.
Territory of Hawaii, for display of art exhibit.
Territory of Hawaii, for installation and display of preserved fruit.
Territory of Hawaii, for installation of miniature honey house with varieties of honey.
Territory of Hawaii, for pineapple installation.
Territory of Hawaii, for cocoanut installation and cocoanut plants.

GOVERNOR FREAR TELLS OF WORK

Is Satisfied With the Results of His Efforts at the National Capital.

HAS RUSHED ABOUT LIVELY

Chief Executive Thinks Bill for Amendment of Organic Act Will Pass.

Acting-Governor Mott-Smith received by the Mongolia a letter from Governor Frear, dated December 16 at Washington, in which the chief executive of the Territory made the statement, "I have rushed about pretty lively in Washington but I am satisfied with the results."

And in the letter the Governor told of a few of the things he had been doing. Probably the most important was his appearance before committees of the senate and house to urge the passage of the bill for the amendment of the Organic Act. Governor Frear expresses the belief that the bill will pass—or at least, that the final laws will be amended as in the bill approved by the Hawaiian legislature.

Bill Before Congress.

The bill for the amendment of the Organic Act was introduced into the senate by the vice-president in the form of a concurrent resolution, which was referred to the committee on Pacific Islands and Porto Rico. This concurrent resolution, however, is only a memorial and the bill itself had to be formally introduced. From cable advice received since the Governor wrote his letter, it is known that the bill has been formally introduced. The Governor is hopeful of favorable action by congress.

Frear Writes Brief.

In addition to appearing personally before the committees, the Governor wrote and submitted to them and to the secretary of the interior an elaborate brief urging the amendment of the Organic Act and explaining the bill as approved by the legislature for introduction into congress. This brief in part will be found in another column of this paper.

Regarding the Judgeships.

Referring to the matter of the judgeships, Governor Frear wrote that he was stopped in Washington just on the eve of his departure for New York by Acting-Governor Mott-Smith's cable telling him of the resignation of Justice Wilder. A few hours later he received a second cablegram from Mr. Mott-Smith, informing him of the resignation of Superintendent Babbitt.

The Governor says he went over and talked with the attorney-general and the president in regard to the vacant judgeships. Attorney-General Wickham finally concluded that nothing could be done in regard to the federal judgeship until after the Christmas recess of congress.

Sorry to Lose Babbitt.

Referring to Mr. Babbitt's resignation, Governor Frear says he is very sorry to learn that Mr. Babbitt has decided to leave his position. "Mr. Babbitt," he says, "is too good a man for that place to lose."

Coastwise Suspension.

The Governor in his letter acknowledges receipt of Acting-Governor Mott-Smith's cablegram informing him of the action taken at the public mass meeting in regard to coastwise suspension. This matter, Frear said, would be left in abeyance until the arrival at Washington of the Delegate.

Immigration Matters.

The Governor, at the request of Senator Dillingham, gave a talk before the immigration commission on conditions in Hawaii, so that the commission, as Senator Dillingham put it, might get some information at first hand.

The Census in Hawaii.

The Territory's chief executive also had a conference with the assistant director of the census in regard to the schedule of information and make-up. The director made several suggestions in regard to the work in Hawaii.

Channel Wharf Transfer.

While in Washington the Governor took up with the proper authorities the matter of the Channel wharf. This is a matter which has been hung up for a long time on account of the inability of the Army and Navy to come to an agreement on it. The Governor writes, however, that prospects seem favorable for a transfer before long. The Channel wharf is Territory property, and the local authorities have contended that the United States ought not to take it over without remunerating the Territory in some way for the property.

Carnegie Library.

Governor Frear expresses the hope that no action will be taken in regard to the site or plans for the new Carnegie library until after his return. He says he has had conferences with Mr. Carnegie's secretary in reference to the plan of building. He will explain in regard to this after he returns, next Sunday.

BIG ISSUE OF BONDS AUTHORIZED BY OLAA

Old Bond Issue Will Be Taken Up and Floating Debt Will Be Cared For.

Olaa plantation will issue \$3,500,000 refunding bonds. At a meeting of the stockholders of the plantation, held yesterday afternoon, the issue was authorized. This issue is made for the purpose of refunding the \$1,250,000 bond issue of nine years ago and also to take up the floating debt.

ZELAYA ROASTS SECRETARY KNOX

Declares Official Has Undone the Good Work Accomplished by Elihu Root.

MAKES ASTONISHING CHARGE

According to His Story Twenty Dead Marines Were Found on Field of Battle.

(By Associated Press.)

CITY OF MEXICO, December 30.—"Secretary Knox is not my judge, I am responsible only to my government," declared former President Zelaya of Nicaragua in an interview here today. Zelaya arraigned Knox severely, declaring that his actions in connection with the Nicaraguan troubles have gone a long way toward undoing the good work accomplished by former Secretary Root during his tour of the South American republics.

In the course of his conversation, Zelaya made the astonishing statement that the dead bodies of twenty marines were found on the field of battle after the fighting at Colorado Junction.

Zelaya further said that there are 400 Americans serving in the army of the Nicaraguan revolutionists under the banner of General Estrada, the leader of the revolutionary forces.

In regard to the tales of the torture of Cannon and Groce, Zelaya characterized them as absurd, and gave out, as the official explanation of the reports, the announcement that the stories are the work of deserters anxious to cause trouble.

Washington Is Amused.

WASHINGTON, December 30.—Zelaya's statement that the dead bodies of twenty marines were found upon the field after the battle of Colorado Junction, was received with amusement by high officials of the United States government yesterday. It is stated officially that there were no marines near Nicaragua at the time of the battle and that no desertions have been reported.

Henrique Creel, Mexican ambassador to the United States, paid official visits to President Taft and Secretary Knox yesterday.

WARSHIPS WILL BE HERE NEXT MONTH

Cruiser Squadron Will Spend Seven Days in Port.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, December 30.—It was announced by the navy department today that the first squadron of the Pacific fleet will sail from Yokohama for Honolulu on January 20. The squadron will arrive at Honolulu on February 1 and will remain there until the eighth.

CHIEF CONSTRUCTOR IS IN FAVOR OF HASTE

Capps Would Have Pearl Harbor Work Rushed Along as Rapidly as Possible.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, December 29.—Chief Constructor Washington Lee Capps, of the bureau of construction and repairs, has made a report in which he urges the early completion of the naval docks at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, and elsewhere.

CONGRESS WILL TAKE UP CONSERVATION WORK

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, December 29.—The matter of the conservation of natural resources of the nation will soon be taken up by congress.

President Taft expresses himself as confident that congress will enact laws needed to realize the ideals of the experts in this regard.

BRITAIN WILL INSTALL GREAT WIRELESS SYSTEM

(By Associated Press.)

MELBOURNE, December 29.—A great system of wireless telegraphy under the control of the government of Great Britain, is to be established connecting Sydney, New South Wales, Doubtless Bay, Suva, Ocean Island, the New Hebrides and the Solomon Islands.

MANY VESSELS AND LIVES ARE LOST IN STORMS

(By Associated Press.)

ST. JOHN'S, December 29.—Eleven schooners and fifty men have been lost in the storms ranging this coast.

NEW FRENCH TARIFF.

(By United Press.)

PARIS, December 29.—The Deputies have adopted a new tariff.